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Senate Finance Committee  
219 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510  
Attention: MTB

**Opposition to proposed import tariff legislation under Miscellaneous Trade Bills**

Opposed Senate Bills:

S.2481  
S.2519  
S.2485  
S.2493  
S.2308  
S.2492  
S.2309

Rogers Industrial Products Inc. is an Akron, Ohio, US citizen owned company that is actively manufacturing machinery used in the vulcanizing, curing and forming of pneumatic, radial, automobile, truck, and off the road tires with a tread width of less than, as well as greater than 450mm (approx. 17.75"), in conventional curing presses as well as sector mold press machines used in production of off the road tires with a rim measuring 63.5 cm or more in diameter.

We firmly object to extending any existing tariff reductions or instituting any additional tariff reductions as proposed by the above listed Senate Bills. Instead we solicit the Senate to increase the tariff on any imported tire forming and vulcanizing/curing presses and associated machinery such as post systems to provide the few USA companies still able to manufacture such machinery in the US a chance to continue in the business of manufacturing such machinery.

A representative of Rogers Industrial Products Inc. is available to meet and discuss the merits of these proposed tariff changes and proposed tariff increases.

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